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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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- Because your specification was filed in a language other than English, the Office was unable to determine the number of claims submitted. Additional claim fees may be due once the number of claims can be determined.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) (see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1)). See Figure(s) ALL.

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SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application (Return Copy); Filing of Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f); Certificate of translation and English translation of Specification (26 pp., 1 sheet of Drawings); Declaration (Executed, 4 pp.); Letter Submitting Replacement Drawing; Replacement Drawing (1 sheet)

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event that any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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LETTER SUBMITTING REPLACEMENT DRAWING SHEET(S)

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here	Responsive to the below indicated communication, the following drawing sheets are submitted with:		
	1 Replacement Drawing Sheet		
	Official Action dated		
	Notice of Allowance/Issue Fee dated		
	Other Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated <u>June 1, 2004</u>		
	The changes and/or modifications made include the following:		
	Submitted herewith is the Replacement Sheet for FIG. 1. Text in drawing has been translated to English as required		

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